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TODAY and TOMORROW

Victory Certain

THE German offensive which began on December 16 is making steady and rapid progress. This offensive derives its tremendous driving power partly from the V-bombs and the unbeatable giant "Master Tank." The German air assault groups have inflicted serious losses on the enemy.

Another triumph of German technique is in the effective use of V-bombs over Northern England. The British people have now learnt that no distance is beyond the reach of German military power. In Manchester and other areas of Northern England, serious casualties and damage has resulted. The Germans have brought out not only new weapons but their methods also are new and baffling to the Anglo-Americans.

These indications show that the German offensive is not a temporary counter-thrust, but the materialisation of a long-prepared plan which will bring ultimate victory to the German forces.

The anti-Axis nations are also faced with serious internal troubles in France, Belgium, Poland, Italy and Greece. These nations had been cleverly deceived by the sugar-coated promises and statements of anti-Axis leaders, but now they have realised that Anglo-American "liberation" means liberation to a hellish state of affairs. In Greece, the British, pursuing their own selfish interests are today attacking their comrades-in-arms of yesterday, the "ELAS" forces. The Polish Government has been ignored and Poland has been dissected to appease Stalin from whom Roosevelt and Churchill expect return concessions. Roosevelt's announcement that there is no such document as the Atlantic Charter shows how unscrupulous are the Anglo-American leaders.

In the Pacific and in China the Anglo-American position is even worse than in Europe. The Americans are realising that their landing on Mindoro Island was a reckless venture for which they are paying very heavily in men, ships and war materials. With his extended supply lines under the constant pounding of the Nippon forces, the enemy's losses are not just twice or thrice but ten times more than before.

According to present conditions, and the war results achieved by the Germans in Europe and the Nipponese in the Pacific and in China, there can be no doubt that Germany and Nippon are in a position to give their enemies a crushing defeat.

Powerful German Push Smashes Foe Belgian Defences

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Crack Forces Advancing; Foe Troops Withdrawn From Ensdorf Sector

Lisbon, Dec. 24 (Domei)—Spearheads of Field-Marshal Karl Rudolf Gert von Runstedt's crack German divisions last night extended their penetration into Belgium to 80 kilometres and smashed through the anti-Axis triangular defence linking Malmedy, Stavelot and St. Vith, according to a Reuter message from the Western Front.

Reich forces sweeping over the central Belgian sector were said to have captured St. Vith and Stavelot, endangering American troops at Malmedy with the prospect of being cut off. West of Stavelot, the Germans, the anti-Axis Supreme Headquarters admitted, have severed the strategic Hotton-Liege highway.

German columns which broke into Belgium in an armoured smash across the Luxembourg frontier, Reuter said, have now reached Libramont, approximately 28 kilometres south-west of Bastogne, in a drive which seems to be bearing down southward towards Sedan.

Meantime, German troops which captured Bastogne are now reported to have reached Mohret, nine kilometres south of Bastogne.

On the American Third Army Front in the Saar sector, a London dispatch said that General Patton withdrew from Ensdorf, near Saarlautern.

The German High Command today announced, "In the West our assault troops yesterday penetrated far beyond the Ourthe and effected a junction with other troops. Numerous enemy groups have been encircled in the rear area and are facing annihilation".

Anti-Axis troops were reported to be making strong attacks against the flank of the German wedge in Belgium but to be meeting with no success. "American counter-attacks between Elsehorn and Stavelot were broken up", the communique said.

In central Luxembourg, the Americans yesterday were said to have launched powerful relief attacks from the south, which, however, were halted after some slight gains.

German fighters yesterday shot down 115 anti-Axis aircraft over the Western Front, the German High Command stated.

Halmahera Garrison Bags 17 Enemy Raiders

A Nippon Base in the South-west Pacific, Dec. 25 (Domei)—Nippon garrison forces on Halmahera Island bagged 17 and damaged 24 out of a total of 300 enemy bombers and fighters which attacked the Kaoe and Wassilee sectors on Dec. 22.

SPECIAL AIR CORPS SCORE BRILLIANT WAR RESULTS IN LEYTE & MINDORO WATERS

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123 Enemy Warcraft Sunk, Damaged Or Set Ablaze In Daring Attacks

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Tokyo, Dec. 24 (Domei)—With the spirit of supreme sacrifice for their country and utmost confidence in final victory the gallant airmen of our Kamikaze, Banda and other air units of our Army and Navy Special Attack Corps, during the period since the initiation of their now famous "sure hit" tactics on Oct. 25 up to Dec. 22, scored brilliant war results totalling 128 enemy warcraft and transports either sunk, damaged or set ablaze.

Sixty-five enemy warships and vessels, including six carriers and five battleships, were sunk, some of which instantaneously, while 63 others, of which nine were carriers, and three battleships, were damaged or set ablaze.

Details of these war results follow: Our Kamikaze Special Attack Corps (Navy) sank instantaneously or sank six aircraft-carriers, three cruisers, one destroyer and ten transports; and damaged or set ablaze eight aircraft-carriers, three battleships, seven cruisers, one battleship or cruiser, one destroyer, three warcraft of unidentified category and ten transports.

Our Army Special Attack Corps sank instantaneously or sank five battleships, four cruisers, one battleship or cruiser, three cruisers or destroyers, 29 transports, one landing craft, and two warcraft of unidentified category, and damaged or set ablaze one aircraft-carrier, one cruiser, three battleships or cruisers, two cruisers or destroyers, 17 transports, and six warcraft of unidentified category.

Enemy Landing Point, Airbase At San Jose Island Badly Pounded

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Dec. 24 (Domei)—The Nippon air force in the Philippines heavily pounded the enemy landing point on Mindoro Island for about one hour from 7.00 p.m. on December 21. A huge explosion was caused at the enemy supply depot as a result of the bombing attack.

The Nippon air units further raided the airfield at San Jose, causing explosions at two points and fire at another.

Our air force in powerful formations on the night of December 23 surprise-raided the enemy airfields at Tacloban and Dulag, Leyte Island.

After inflicting considerable damage on the enemy, all our planes returned to their base safely.

Chengtu & Liangshan Airfields Badly Bombed

A Nippon Base in China, December 24 (Domei)—Our bomber units on December 19 carried out daring night raids on Chengtu and Liangshan airfields.

In the raid on Chengtu, our bombers set ablaze four places in the airfield and blasted nearby military establishments.

Other bombers which surprise-raided Liangshan set ablaze one large aircraft parked in the airfield as well as causing fire to start at two places.

All our planes safely returned to their base.

Gen. Yamashita Pledges To Crush Enemy Forces In Philippine Battles

Tokyo, Dec. 25 (Domei)—Junji Yamada, President of the Manila Shimbun, who is now on a visit here, said that he returned to Nippon with the pledge of General Tomoyuki Yamashita, Commander-in-Chief of the Nippon forces in the Philippines, that he will defeat the Americans in spite of any temporary minor difficulties.

Yamada said that during his recent interview with General Yamashita at his field headquarters, the General told him: "I have come to the Philippines with one purpose—to direct this war to a successful finish". General Yamashita continued: "If we can smash 150,000 or 200,000 American troops here, it ought to make even the Americans wince."

North England Attacked By Reich Flying Bombs

Lisbon, Dec. 24 (Domei)—During the period from dawn yesterday up to 7 o'clock this morning, the Germans hurled V-1 and V-2 bombs against southern England and for the first time against northern England, according to a London message. Damage and casualties were caused.

In the first attack against northern England, which is believed to have been the Manchester area, several persons were killed and others injured.

Subtle Manoeuvre To Control India Overseas Credits

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British Attempt To Offset Steady United States Economic Penetration

Somewhere in Burma, Dec. 23 (Domei)—In order to counteract against American economic penetration as well as get greater control of India's foreign assets, Britain is once again resorting to the trick of economic exploitation in India, declared Sri P. M. Dalal, member-in-charge of the newly-established National Planning Bureau formed some time ago, in an interview this afternoon.

He stated, "Even before the war the situation was that by clever wirepulling on the artificial high rate of exchange, Britain was straining away the resources of India and making it necessary for India to borrow in London. Furthermore, Britain told India borrowing could be done in a better way from London and in this way a large share of gold reserves of the Reserve Bank of India had flowed into the Bank of England". Since the outbreak of hostilities, he added, "Britain's export from India has been going on to such an extent as to cause economic disturbance in India, resulting in the loss through famine of more than two million lives in Bengal, and the only imports from Britain to India have been war goods which came not to augment Indian wealth but to foster the British war effort. And this has naturally resulted in more of India's wealth being drained and increased inflation, while India's gold reserves are accumulated in England.

"Up to December 24 this year, India's assets accumulated in Britain amounted to Rupees 11,960 million and we were told by the Britishers that they were for safe keeping in Britain. So that even if India has to leave British hands, India will be minus all this gold and assets", Dalal added. "The Britishers are so clever that on the one side they are ready for the possibility of losing India, while on the other side, supposing that they win with American help, they want to guard India's loot from their American collaborators by starting an Empire dollar pool".

He also revealed that "this new economic invention has two objects, one to secure for England much-needed dollar

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Thai Minister Resigns Owing To Ill-Health

Bangkok, Dec. 24 (Domei)—The Thai Government yesterday announced the acceptance of the resignation of Momluang Dej Sanitwong, Commerce Minister, who is retiring due to ill health.

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Programme For New Year Celebrations

Syonan, Dec. 23 (Domei)—A joint rally of all communities to celebrate the new year will be held at various theatres in Syonan on January 3. These rallies form part of the program drawn up by representatives of the various communities at a meeting held yesterday at the Hodo-bu.

At these rallies a resolution will be passed by leaders of the Nippon, Chinese, Malai, Indian, Eurasian and Arab communities here to redouble all efforts of the people of Syonan during the new year, thereby hastening the day of final victory for Nippon.

For three days commencing Jan. 1, special comfort shows will be held at the Dai Toa Gekijo for Nippon soldiers sponsored by the Syonan Dramatic Association, while either on Jan. 1 or the following day, leaders of the various communities in Syonan will broadcast special new year anniversary messages over a countrywide hoop-up. These messages will help re-affirm the people's determination to go all-out in the fourth year of war to crush the enemy and secure victory for Nippon.

On Jan. 3, mass rallies commencing at 8 p.m. of the various communities will be held as follows:—Chinese community at the Yamato Gekijo, Malais and Arabs at the Malai Gekijo, Indians at the Indo Gekijo, Eurasians at the Fuji Gekijo and the Nippon Military at the Dai Toa Gekijo. This function will be sponsored by the various dailies assisted by the respective community Welfare Associations. Speeches will be delivered by community leaders to bolster further the wartime determination of the people in a spirit of final victory for Nippon.

Epirus Area Overrun By Strong "Elas" Troops

Lisbon, Dec. 24 (Domei)—A strong force of "ELAS", numbering between 15,000 and 20,000 strong, has completely overrun the territory in Epirus, north-western Greece, belonging to the Rightist "EDES" troops of General Zervas, according to a Reuter's dispatch from Athens.

Latest reports indicate that General Zervas, who appealed to the British for assistance, has been compelled to evacuate Yannina and to withdraw into the town of Preveza at the tip of Preveza Peninsula. The "EDES" are reported to have suffered heavy casualties and further weakened by mass desertions.

Meantime, stiff fighting continued yesterday in the Piraeus area, where "ELAS" elements are stubbornly holding a refrigerator plant which handles meat supplies for the entire Athens district. British forces on the north side of the main harbour were said to be still unable to link up with Indian troops on the western side.

A Reuter's message said that British paratroops this afternoon cleared the area west of Acropolis, but "ELAS" forces still are in control of the central electric power station which feeds the Athens area.

German Morale Heightened By Counter-Attack

Tokyo, Dec. 24 (Domei)—Commenting on Germany's great counter-offensive on the Western Front, Hans Kleinicke, Trans-Ocean correspondent in Tokyo, in an interview with the Asahi Shimbun declared that undoubtedly the anti-Axis nations have received a terrific setback in their optimistic hopes for an early conclusion to the war in Europe.

He pointed out that the current operations have further heightened the morale and imbedded confidence in the German people in the strength, efficiency and potentiality of their armed forces. He said now that her preparations have been completed, Germany had grasped the right moment to start her "big push" whereby she has not only driven the American armies from German-soil but has inflicted heavy losses on the anti-Axis forces. The Trans-Ocean correspondent then referred to the reports received from the German High Command stating that the Germans have already captured 20,000 enemy troops of which 7,800, were Americans.

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exchange at the expense of India and the other to circumscribe India's ability to negotiate a commercial agreement directly with America. And so in the name of "Empire solidarity", all foreign assets of India, including its considerable dollar assets at New York, have already been handed over to the Bank of England".

In conclusion he declared, "I may add I do not pretend to know who is going to prove the cleverer, the Americans or the Britishers, because while Britain on one side has cornered all her Empire dollar assets by this wonderful Empire dollar pool, on the other side the Americans are writing off these assets against the assistance rendered to England in this war".

Post Office At Bt. Timon

A Post Office was opened at Bukit Timon, in the District of Kota Tinggi, Johore, yesterday, says the Malai Gunsei Kanbu Yusei Kyoku in a Press communique.

The Post Office will transact the usual postal business including Savings Bank and Money Order. Facilities for the collection and delivery of mails are being extended to the neighbouring villages.

Tea For I.N.A. Troops

Tea was again served at the premises of the Syonan Branch of the I.I.L. to the troops of the Azad Hind Fauj who participated in the Mass Rally held here on Sunday last. The generous Indian public defrayed the cost.

WANTED

One Hundred Applications are invited for the Azad School, Penang. Candidates must be between the ages of 18 and 30 years and possess educational qualifications of at least Standard Five in English. All applications must be forwarded to the Indian Independence League, Syonan Branch.

National China Spokesman Flays Chungking Press

Nanking, Dec. 24 (Domei)—In a pointed attack against the Chungking press, especially against the Sao Tang Pao, Chungking military organ which on December 19 editorially called for the swift landing of American troops on the China continent, Spokesman of the National Government of China Huang Ku-sen on December 22 scathingly admonished Chungking press circles for attempting to throw China into the vortex of a cataclysm as the landing of American troops would only tend to intensify the war in China.

Referring to the extremely superficial views of Chungking press circles, Spokesman Huang pointed out that the aim of the Nippon operations in China is to destroy Anglo-American influence, adding that as long as the Chungking regime continues to provide bases for the United States air force, the Nippon forces will continue their continental operations.

He further pointed out that should the United States forces land on the China continent, Nippon will not withdraw her troops from the continent but will instead open up a more furious military campaign which will throw China into the throes of a bloody warfare. Therefore, the Spokesman said, the only way left for Chungking to witness the withdrawal of Nippon forces from China is for her to free her hands completely from the Anglo-Americans and realize complete peace between China and Nippon to restore once again China to the Chinese. He reminded Chungking press circles that "our objective lies firstly and lastly in the liberation and attainment of independence and freedom for China. However, this step does not lie in overthrowing Nippon by borrowing aid from the Anglo-American powers which have been and will always be the arch enemies of China."

Concluding Huang asserted that a landing by Anglo-American forces would simply be a prelude to the colonization of China.

SYONAN TOKUBETU SI NOTICE NO. 156.

Re: Revision of Time fixed for Public Advisory days.

Hitherto, every Sunday morning has been fixed as public advisory days on which the Kosei Katyo attended to consultations for the benefit of the public. However, owing to other important official duties the mornings can no longer be spared for this purpose, and the time set aside for public advisory days will be changed to the afternoon on Sundays, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. The public is requested to make full use of this new arrangement.

SYONAN TOKUBETU-SI TYO.
25th December, Syowa 19.

OBITUARY

My relatives and friends are hereby informed that my beloved niece, 3 year old Santha Das, passed away peacefully on 24th inst., at Kluang and due thanks are recorded to those who had sent their condolence.

K. V. Devan,
124-A Mackenzie Rd., Syonan.

German "Air Assault Groups" On West Front

Berlin, Dec. 24 (Domei)—Authoritative sources today revealed that the Luftwaffe effectively employed for the first time yesterday on the Western Front newly-organized "air assault groups"—the exact nature of which, however, was not disclosed.

One of these "air assault groups" was reported to have intercepted an anti-Axis Marauder squadron and to have almost annihilated it by bringing down 30 machines.

WANTED

Dressers For Azad Hind Fauj

Applications are invited by the undersigned from Medical Students who left their College studies without completing the full Medical Course for the Dressers' Course which commences on 15th January, 2605, at No. 3, Hospital, Bidadari. Regarding the initial rank, each case will be decided on individual merits, taking into consideration the number of years completed by each student. The minimum rank on completion of the Course in the Medical Training School will be that of a Sub-Officer.

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